

Reference number	E13	Policy name	Uniform Policy
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To be read in conjunction with	E1 Positive Conduct Policy, A3 Admissions Policy, D4 Inclusion Policy		
Policy links	C2, E1, A3, D4, D10		

Vision, mission and values	- Promote wellbeing, leadership and personal growth for all students. - Foster service, community and commitment to the UAE National Agenda. - Build positive relationships and provide an inspiring school experience.
Rationale	The education of a child extends beyond academic achievement and includes the development of responsibility, identity and pride in personal presentation. A school uniform establishes a culture of high standards, respect and equality across the student body. It ensures students participate in school life without pressure or distraction linked to appearance, fashion trends or socio-economic differences. This policy guides students in understanding the importance of appropriate presentation, shared identity and self-discipline. Uniforms promote a sense of belonging and remind students that they represent Uptown International School (UIS) on and off campus. As students progress through the school, expectations regarding uniform and appearance remain consistent and reflect the increasing maturity and leadership responsibilities expected of older students. This policy is guided by the following rights and responsibilities.

WSLT sign off		Date	June 2026
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Policy Statement

Uptown International School maintains high standards of personal presentation through a clear and consistently applied uniform policy. The policy promotes equality, pride, professionalism and a strong sense of community.

Wearing the correct uniform reduces distraction, minimises peer pressure and supports a positive learning environment where students can focus on learning. It strengthens school identity and reinforces expectations for behaviour and appearance.

Students are expected to present themselves appropriately at all times and represent the school with respect both on and off campus. When worn correctly, the uniform supports school spirit and ensures students are recognised as ambassadors of Uptown International School.

Members of the UIS community have the right to:

- Be treated equally and respectfully
- Learn in a focused and inclusive environment
- Understand the school's uniform expectations clearly
- Raise concerns or request reasonable accommodations respectfully

UIS staff will:

- Model high standards of presentation
- Support students in meeting uniform expectations
- Apply this policy consistently and fairly
- Communicate with parents when concerns arise

UIS students will:

- Wear the correct school uniform appropriately
- Keep their uniform clean and presentable
- Follow uniform expectations consistently
- Represent the school positively at all times

Uniform Requirements

Magrudy's is the official supplier of UIS uniform. Uniform items are available through Magrudy's stores and online. [Magrudy's Online Shop](#)

Nursery & Rising 3s

- No set uniform is required.
- Students may wear the same uniform as KG students if preferred.

Pre-K to KG2

Boys

- Navy UIS polo shirt
- Navy UIS shorts or trousers

Girls

- Navy UIS polo shirt or navy UIS polo dress
- Navy UIS skort or trousers
- Navy UIS jumper or navy UIS tank top

Grade 1-5

Boys

- White UIS shirt
- Navy UIS shorts or trousers
- Navy UIS jumper or navy UIS tank top

Girls

- White UIS shirt
- Navy UIS skort or trousers
- Navy UIS jumper or navy UIS tank top

Grades 6–10

Boys

- Light blue UIS shirt
- Navy UIS trousers
- Navy UIS jumper or navy UIS tank top

Girls

- Light blue UIS blouse
- Navy UIS long skirt or trousers
- Navy UIS jumper or navy UIS tank top

Grades 11–12

Boys

- White UIS shirt
- Navy UIS trousers
- Navy UIS jumper or navy UIS tank top
- Grade 12 students may wear the UIS Seniors Jacket

Girls

- White UIS blouse
- Navy UIS long skirt or trousers
- Navy UIS jumper or navy UIS tank top
- Grade 12 students may wear the UIS Seniors Jacket

All Students (Pre-K–12)

Shoes

- Students must wear plain black footwear.
- Footwear must be closed-toe and appropriate for school.
- Slippers, sliders, crocs, canvas shoes, high heels and footwear with coloured accents or visible branding are not permitted.

Hats and Socks

- Hats and sunglasses are not permitted indoors.
- Students may wear a UIS school hat outdoors.
- Socks must be black, navy or white.

Hijab and Headscarf Guidelines

- Headscarves worn for religious purposes must be plain navy, black or white.

Shirts

- Students must wear the approved UIS uniform shirt.
- Shirts must be appropriately fitted and worn neatly.

Trousers and Skirts

- Students must wear approved UIS uniform trousers or skirts.
- Jogging bottoms and non-uniform alternatives are not permitted.

Uniform Expectations

- Students will comply fully with the school uniform requirements.
- Uniforms will be clean, neat and worn correctly.
- The school will make reasonable adjustments for verified medical, religious or inclusion needs.
- Requests for adjustments must be supported by appropriate documentation where required.

Consequences Primary:

First incident

- Staff will speak with the student and provide a reminder regarding the correct uniform.
- Parents will be contacted for support.

Second incident

- Parents will be contacted again.
- Students may be removed from selected activities until the uniform issue is corrected.

Third and subsequent incidents

- Parents will be contacted.
- Students will either borrow a clean replacement uniform item from school or have the correct item brought to school.
- A meeting with the Grade Level Leader may be arranged.

Consequences Secondary:

First incident

- Parents will be contacted.
- Students will receive a warning and be expected to correct the issue by the next school day.

Second incident

- Parents will be contacted.
- Students will be expected to correct the issue immediately.
- Students may be removed from selected activities until the issue is corrected.

Third and subsequent incidents

- A parental meeting will take place.
- Students may be placed on a Student Progress Report.
- Students will either borrow a clean replacement uniform item from school or have the correct item brought to school.

Make-Up Expectations:

UIS is a professional work environment; therefore, make-up is not encouraged, as it can be difficult to distinguish what is appropriate for school compared to social or special occasions such as parties or proms. However, we recognise that, for wellbeing and self-esteem reasons, parents may choose to allow their child to wear make-up. In such cases, any make-up must be discreet and not visibly noticeable.

To maintain a consistent and professional standard across the school, the following guidelines must be followed in all circumstances

Aspect	Recommended Standard
Foundation or other face make-up, concealer, blusher etc.	Natural tones only
Eyeshadow	Neutral tones only or None
Eyeliner	None
Lip Color	Clear or neutral gloss
False Lashes	Not permitted
Additional	No glitter, sparkles, or bright makeup products

Nail Expectations

- Fake nails and nail extensions are not permitted.
- Nail polish must be clear or pale neutral.

Hair and Beard Expectations

- Hair must be neat and well maintained.
- Hair colour must remain within the natural colour spectrum.
- Beards must be neat and well groomed.

The school will make the final decision regarding what is considered appropriate in relation to appearance and presentation.

Consequences for Make-up, Nails and Appearance

First incident

- A recorded warning will be issued.
- Students will be asked to remove excessive make-up or nail varnish.
- Parents will be contacted.

Second incident

- A second recorded warning will be issued.
- Students will be asked to remove excessive make-up or nail varnish.
- Parents will be contacted.

Third and subsequent incidents

- Students will be asked to remove excessive make-up or nail varnish.
- A parental meeting will take place.
- Students may be placed on a Student Progress Report.

Jewellery

Students may wear:

- One wristwatch
- One pair of small stud earrings

The following items are not permitted:

- Visible piercings other than one earring per ear lobe
- Ankle bracelets
- Bracelets
- Visible neck chains
- Visible tattoos

PHE Kit Requirements

- Primary students may wear their PHE kit to school on PHE days.
- Secondary students must change into their PHE kit for lessons.
- Secondary students must wear full school uniform to and from school.

Required PHE Kit

- UIS grey PHE shirt
- UIS PHE shorts
- Training shoes with non-marking soles
- Spare socks
- UIS swimwear, swim cap, goggles, towel and flip-flops for swimming lessons
- Water bottle

For swimming lessons, students must wear a navy-blue swimming costume and UIS swim hat. Students without the correct PHE kit will not participate actively in the lesson. Repeated failure to bring the correct kit may affect participation and assessment.

Sports Squad Kits

Students representing UIS in competitive sports squads must wear the approved squad kit.

Sports squad kits are available through the official supplier.

Students without the correct squad kit will not represent the school in fixtures.

Monitoring and Review

Staff share responsibility for implementing and monitoring this policy.

The school will review this policy annually and update it in line with regulatory requirements, operational needs and school priorities.